HERSHEY CO Form 4 July 18, 2016

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Wege D Michael			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERSHEY CO [HSY]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
100 CRYSTAL	L A DRIVE		(Month/Day/Year) 07/15/2016	Director 10% Owner Other (give title Other (specify below) SVP, GS, India, ME, Comm & CSR		
(Street) HERSHEY, PA 17033			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Chec		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securin(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	07/15/2016		S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 108.43	27,288	D	
Common Stock	07/15/2016		M	1,000	A	\$ 54.68	28,288	D	
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Common Stock							868.946 (2)	I	401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	(A) or	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
	Security				Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 54.68	07/15/2016		M	1,000	(3)	04/22/2017	Common Stock	1,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Wege D Michael

100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE HERSHEY, PA 17033 SVP, GS, India, ME, Comm & CSR

Signatures

/s/ D. Michael

Wege 07/18/2016

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 23, 2015.
- The total amount of securities reported as indirectly owned by the reporting person includes 5.0496 shares acquired from June 1, 2016 (2) through June 30, 2016, pursuant to the Company's 401(k) Plan ("Plan"). The information is based on a report dated July 1, 2016, provided by the Plan Trustee.
- (3) The options vested according to the following schedule: 25% vested on April 23, 2008, 25% vested on April 23, 2009, 25% vested on April 23, 2010 and 25% vested on April 23, 2011.

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